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Patent**In The Claims:**

Please amend claims 1, 20, 28 and 30 as follows:

1. (three time amended) A hot melt adhesive composition comprising:
- a) about 10% by weight to about 50% by weight of at least one substantially aliphatic tackifying resin having a glass transition temperature of greater than 65°C;
 - b) about 20% by weight to about 60% by weight of at least one thermoplastic polymer as base polymer; and
 - c) 0% by weight to about 40% by weight of at least one wax;
- wherein the concentration of said tackifying resin is less than the concentration of said thermoplastic polymer.

20. (three time amended) A hot melt adhesive composition comprising:
- a) about 10% by weight to about 50% by weight of at least one tackifying resin having a glass transition temperature of at least 65°C;
 - b) about 20% by weight to about 60% by weight of at least one thermoplastic polymer selected from the group consisting of copolymers and terpolymers of ethylene; amorphous polyalphaolefins, homogenous ethylene/ α -olefin interpolymer, and mixtures thereof; and
 - c) 0% by weight to about 40% by weight of at least one wax;
- wherein the concentration of said tackifying resin is less than the concentration of said thermoplastic polymer.

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28.(twice amended) A hot melt adhesive comprising:

- a) from about 10% by weight to about 80% by weight of at least one aliphatic tackifying resin having a T_g of greater than 65°C; and
- b) from about 10% by weight to about 80% by weight of at least one polymer selected from the group consisting of amorphous polyalphaolefins, and mixtures thereof.

30.(twice amended) A hot melt adhesive composition comprising:

- a) about 10% by weight to about 50% by weight of at least one substantially aliphatic tackifying resin having a softening point of greater than 140°C;
- b) about 20% by weight to about 60% by weight of at least one thermoplastic polymer; and
- c) 0% by weight to about 40% by weight of at least one wax;

wherein the concentration of said tackifying resin is less than the concentration of said thermoplastic polymer.